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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Christopher W. Benjamin

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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(1), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Final Action in this application, mailed on <u>June 14, 2004</u>, and having an original period for response of <u>September 14, 2004</u> be extended until <u>July 14, 2005</u>.

On December 14, 2004, Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal herein, and the combination of the normal two-month period to provide the appeal brief (February 14, 2005) and five months of permitted extensions (July 14, 2005) makes the present submission timely. Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$2080.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

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